

EL LAGO PARKS BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 24, 2016
Time: 7:05 P.M.
Location: Municipal Court Chamber,
98 Lakeshore Dr., El Lago, TX 77586
Board Attendees: Maria Ludvig, DeAnna Scott, Ruth Tully, Donna Ward,
Rob Wohrer, Shirley Brasseaux

City Attendees: Mayor Robert White, Jeff Tave

Review/Approval: Jan. 27/'16 minutes. Motion: DeAnna Scott/2nd: Ruth Tully

Old Business: Maria reported that she had presented to the City Council at their last meeting, the Board's proposal to purchase a new water fountain w/pet bowl to be installed at McNair Park. Said bowl is to be located to the west of the large pavilion. This location will make the fountain not only convenient for pets being exercised in the park but also convenient for walkers and those using said pavilion. The Council approved the proposal as presented (\$2,734.00 which includes shipping) and also allocated an additional \$700.00 for necessary ancillaries. Maria has presented the work order/request for this project and it has been approved.

Donna advised that she is still waiting to purchase a magnolia to be planted at McNair to replace the memorial magnolia that died due to lack of water last summer. As stated at a previous meeting, she will not make any more requests for memorial tree funds due to the mortality rate brought about by lack of maintenance.

Maria has assembled a list of maintenance requirements for all three (3) parks (which we discussed at our last meeting) and will send this list to City Hall.

It was also noted that Jim Kelly has agreed to make new signs, and DeAnna suggested that perhaps we could use brighter colors to make the signs more visible.

Rob stated that he will pick up the currently posted signs as soon as possible, and will also check with Mr. Kelly regarding the time it will take him to construct new ones. If they cannot be completed by this spring's competition, we will continue to use the current signs, and hopefully have the new ones ready for the fall competition.

DeAnna again voiced her concerns re the esthetic and structural problems with the wall along the Jean Raffetto walkway. It is inconsistent in its building materials, colors, and has become a safety issue due to residents' encroaching trees and shrubs which are threatening its stability. The Mayor suggested she get on the City Council agenda for the 3rd Monday of the month in order to bring her concerns directly to the Council.

New Business: Mayor White presented his plan to eliminate the current liaison positions assigned to various city committees. He would prefer that a committee/board member attend one City Council meeting a month to personally present any and all ideas, requests, and concerns we may have directly to Council. The Mayor stated that there would be "more input from a board member as opposed to a third party." Ruth voiced

her opinion that the liaison system has worked in the past, and questioned the proposed change.

Mayor's Report: Mayor White advised that plans to run electricity to the flag pole at the Bayou View entrance/triangle are being considered. The proposed cost would be approximately \$5,800.00 - \$6,000.00. Solar lighting has been trial tested, but without much success.

Entrances: Shirley stated that we are currently between seasons for landscaping the entrances, but new plants will be put in place in a timely manner when the season requires.

Adjournment: 8:10 P.M.

Donna J. Ward, Recording Secretary

Next Meeting: March 30